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## JAPANESE SEALING VESSELS.

**Largest Fleet Sent to Bering Sea Since Fishery Was Operated.**

**Exempt From Restrictions of Canadian and American Fleet.**

Two of a fleet of Japanese sealers, 39 of which are headed to prey upon the fur seals of Bering Sea, have put into British Columbia harbors to refit after being racked by storms encountered on the way across the Pacific.

The steamer Princess Beatrice, which returned recently to Victoria, B. C., brought news that a large Japanese sealer, a schooner of 135 tons register about twice the size of local sealers, had arrived at Jedway in charge of Capt. John C. Voss, formerly of Victoria, who went to Japan some months ago to begin sealing under the Japanese flag, owing to the unprofitable nature of local sealing in consequence of the regulations which do not bind other than local sealers. Recently, too, came news by means of the Canadian wireless telegraph station at Estevan, of the arrival of a large new Japanese sealing schooner, Matsu Maru, Capt. Thompson, at Hesquiot, to refit. The schooner in charge of Capt. Voss had refitted at Rose Harbor, where she arrived with two of her boats smashed and minor damage after a rough passage of 28 days from Yokohama. The Matsu Maru, which went into Hesquiot with her mainmast sprung and other injuries, was 38 days from Tokio.

Both schooners are large vessels, with crews of hunters twice the size of those carried by the Canadian sealers. The schooner lying at anchor at Jedway when the Princess Beatrice called at the Queen Charlotte Island port had a crew of forty-four all told. Three were former Victoria seal hunters who went to Japan some years ago. The Japanese schooner, after having refitted at Rose Harbor, to the south, had put into Jedway to Beatrice with mails and charts ordered from Victoria before leaving Yokohama. The vessel expected to start the day after the Princess Beatrice sailed for Victoria to hunt seals in Hecate Straits and northern British Columbia waters while the seals were homing to the Pribilof from their southward migration, and then Capt. Voss proposed to proceed to the sea-otter grounds off the Alaskan coast, where he took a number of sea-otter pelts when in command of the schooner Jessie of Victoria.

The Matsu Maru is in command of Capt. Thompson, who is well known to Victoria sealers. He has been engaged in sealing out of Japanese ports for many years and formed one of a number of sealers imprisoned by the Russians after the sinking of sch. Hokusei Maru by the Russian cruiser Gromoboi, in 1905. He was taken to Vladivostok, and with Edward McNeill, George McTavish and Robert Findlay, of Victoria, were thrown into prison at Haborovsk and later removed to Maidvid, from where the men were released, practically destitute, to make their way home as best they could. Findlay came to Victoria and brought suit against the Russian government, which compensated him for the loss of personal effects sustained.

Capt. Thompson, who had formerly been employed on the Russian steamer Kotik, engaged in the fur company's service, running to the rookeries at the Commanderofski Islands and Saghalien, had a number of sketch maps in his pockets and owing to suspicion attracted to him on this account, the war with Japan then being in progress, he

#### Had a Narrow Escape from Being Shot.

He was kept in much closer supervision than the other sealers. Last year he was in command of the Japanese schooner Aitoku Maru, which came across the Pacific coast and afterward went into Bering Sea.

The fleet of Japanese schooners, expected to number 39 vessels, is the largest sent to Bering Sea since the Japanese began to send vessels there four or five years ago, when the stricter guard placed about Robben Bank and the rookeries of the Commanderofski group (Bering and Copper Islands) sent them further afield. The absurd situation which has arisen has had a serious effect on American and Canadian sealers. Already hampered severely by the regulations enforced by Great Britain and the United States, following the Paris award of 1894 the local sealers which go to Bering Sea now have a great flotilla of Japanese sealers drawn in a

cordon around the seal islands past which seals taken by the local sealers must run the gauntlet. The local sealers are obliged to observe a close season, use spears instead of firearms, and remain outside a radius of sixty miles from the Pribilof Islands. Meanwhile the Japanese sealers are bound by no other restrictions than the three mile limit provided by international law and they hunt with firearms at any time they please to within three miles of the rookeries.

A number of raids have occurred since the Japanese schooners went to Bering Sea, the most notorious being that of 1906, when schs. Toyoi Maru and Miye Maru landed parties of raiders on the Seapandi rookery. Twelve of the raiders were killed by the rifles of the Aleut guards. Last year

#### Raids Were Attempted by Two Other Schooners

one of which was faked to represent a revenue cutter, but the raiders were surprised by the revenue cutter Perry, one of the United States patrolling vessels, and both were seized.

Efforts have been made to have Japan enter the sealing arrangement of the nations, and Baron Komura promised at St. Petersburg that on his return to Japan many months ago action to this end would be taken; but the Japanese sealers were unwilling to forego the advantage the kindly British and United States governments permit them, and their schooners go in increasing fleets to Bering Sea.

During the past few years there were many raids at Copper Islands, as well as on Bering Sea, and some of the sealers were seized. It is said that old schooner Diana was sunk last year by a Russian steamer when caught attempting a raid at Copper Islands. Another Japanese schooner escaped after her mast had been splintered by a shell from a shore gun. Three lie rotting at Vladivostok, one being the Miye Maru, some of whose crew narrowly escaped death for attacking their guards. The rookeries at Robben bank, which were taken over by the Japanese in Okhotsk sea as part of the spoils of war are being well protected, and the old gunboat Musashi is patrolling there, preventing all sealing for a term of five years. This is being done in order to allow the herd to recuperate from the effect of the disastrous raids which occurred there while the Russian guard was withdrawn during the war. In one raid, made by five schooners in 1905, several thousand sealskins were taken from this rookery, and the raids thinned the herds there so much that when the Japanese government secured the island, it abolished sealing in that vicinity to allow the seals a chance to accumulate again.

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#### EIGHT SEINERS WITH FISH AT NEW YORK AND NEWPORT.

**Netters Also Landed Good Hauls at Various Ports Along Shore.**

**Most of the Fish Taken Hundred Miles Off Navesink.**

You cannot hold the fishing interested part of Gloucester with a 10-inch hawser this morning, and no wonder, for at New York and Newport, the early telegrams give a list of eight mackerel seiners, and a lot of netters with 175,000 fresh mackerel in count, and selling at figures which mean a value of over \$25,000 in cold cash.

Incidentally, the news of this big doings has set the skippers of the big fleet now in port guessing as to what they should do—go back out south, or strike out for the Cape Shore.

#### Seiners at New York.

Sch. Constellation, Capt. Thaddeus Morgan, 30,000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Aloha, Capt. John McInnis, 23,000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank H. Hall, 17,000 fresh large and medium mackerel.

Sch. Rex, Capt. John Grady, 17,000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Diana, Capt. James McLean, 18,000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Benjamin McGray, 17,000 fresh medium mackerel.

#### Netters at New York.

Sloop On Time, 1700 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Cherokee, 2400 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. N. A. Rowe, 3600 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lafayette, 4500 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Marguerite, 1000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Carrie E., 400 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop Golden Eagle, 500 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Hockomock, 1000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Florida, 1800 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Massasoit, 700 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Freedom, 1100 large fresh mackerel.

#### Seiners at Newport.

Sch. Shenandoah, Capt. James C. Gannon, 150 barrels of fresh medium and large mackerel.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, 25,000 large fresh mackerel.

#### Netters at Newport.

At Newport Friday, sch. Gracie Smith landed 300 fish and sch. Sarah 150 mackerel.

#### Netters at New Bedford.

Saturday morning the following vessels landed fish at New Bedford:

Sch. Betsy Ross nine barrels.

Sch. Albert Brown, two barrels.

Sch. Florence, five barrels.

Sch. Magnolia, eight barrels.

Sch. Dart, nine barrels.

Sch. Bessie, five barrels.

Sch. Crescent, four barrels.

Sch. Barbara, seven barrels.

Sch. Lewis Warren, 3½ barrels.

245 fish were landed by other vessels. The fish were packed in iced barrels, 60 fish to the barrel.

The fish landed at both places, with what came from Edgartown and Vineyard Haven, made up the 109 barrels brought up by train Saturday to the Boston market.

#### Where the Fleet Found the Fish.

Regarding the fish at Fulton Market, New York, this morning, a special to the Times from its correspondent at the market says that the fares were caught 95 miles south southeast of the Highlands of Navesink. Five of the vessels came in there Sunday and the Diana reached the dock this morning.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall took her fish for the most part on Friday night and the balance Saturday night. Sch. Constellation got her big catch on Friday and Saturday nights in two sets, while sch. Aloha captured hers in three sets, on the same nights.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins got all hers on Friday night and sch. Rex captured her trip in three sets the same night. All these crafts were within a mile of each other when they got their hauls. There were no great rafts of fish but several large schools were seen, the most of them being medium fish.

Schs. George Parker and Nellie Dixon were the only other vessels there beside those in and it is thought that they too, took some fish and will soon be in.

Early reports from Fulton Market this morning stated that the mackerel were selling at 20 cents each for large and 15 cents for medium, which means that every vessel in will take down a fine check as the result of their catches.

#### High Line of the Fleet.

Sch. Constellation, which is in with her second big trip, continues high line of the fleet. On her first little bunch of fish which she landed when she came in for gasoline, quite a little while ago, she got over \$300, while her fare of 18,000 mediums last week brought her in about \$2700. On this trip, she will go a little short of \$5000 probably, so that her stock will be about \$7500 or perhaps better to date, practically all made in a week.

Today's landings are also second trips for schs. Rex and Marguerite Haskins and Ralph L. Hall, they with the Constellation being the first ones on the fish early last week. The Haskins must have hustled out without waiting for any new topmasts to replace the ones she carried away in running to market last week and has made by it, even if Capt. McGray does have to drive the fine little craft flat roofed to market, without the aid of any light kites.

All three of these crafts now have a good spring's work to their credit, all captured in a week. When it does come right out south, it can certainly come quick and good.

This is the first trip of sch. Diana this season and also for sch. Aloha and both will be well repaid for hanging on to the southward.

#### The Catches at Newport.

Of the catches at Newport, R. I., this morning, sch. Shenandoah, Capt. James C. Gannon, reports getting her fare southeast of Shinnecock, Long Island, in 35 fathoms of water, which would take her well off shore.



Sch. Effie M. Prior, so Capt. Prior reports secured her great haul of big fish off Fire Island, but the depth of water and direction from that point is not given.

Sch. Effie M. Prior has been out but little over four days, sailing from here Thursday, so Capt. Prior evidently lost no time in locating the fish. The catch is a big one and as the fish are reported all large, the stock will be a buster.

A telephone message from Capt. Elroy Prior, at Newport, this noon says that he got his fish southeast by east from Five Island in 34 fathoms of water.

Our Newport correspondent reports that sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Reuben Cameron, also got a haul in company with sch. Shenandoah and is looked for to market today or tomorrow.

Sch. Georgia, Capt. Frank Cahoon's new knockabout, which sailed on her maiden trip from here only a few days ago, was in company with sch. Effie M. Prior, when the latter made her catch and also took fish at the same time, so will be heard from at market soon.

#### Vessels in Port May Go South.

Most of the vessels which came home from out south during the past few days came to take salt and refit and go to the Cape Shore. A few hustled back out south, but the majority hung until today, intending to keep off to the eastward. The receipt of this good news from the south has set the mackerel catching molecules of their hardy blood all astir and now they are trying to decide whether to take a chance and get back out to the southward or to plug right along for the Cape Shore. The time is getting short to go south for a look and then hit across for the Cape Shore. Most of the skippers do not like the thought of losing the latter fishing season, still it looks good out south, and it seems a shame to have to run away from what the reports indicate out there. They have been out there for six or seven weeks and have come home fully set on going to the Cape Shore which they look upon as a sure thing generally and now they are in a quandry, for if they go south and miss them—if those fish out there should disappear suddenly, they would be up against it in bad shape.

Some that have sailed today have driven her for out around Cape Cod, while others have held to their original idea and taken the course across to the Cape Shore, while still others have gone, to make up their minds when they get outside, which way they will head their crafts.

#### Notes of the Fleet.

Twenty sail of the mackerel seining fleet got away from here this morning, there being a steady stream of them going out by Eastern Point since eight o'clock.

Capt. Charles H. Harty came home from New York, where he has been buying mackerel for Wilson & Barry of Fulton Market, Saturday, and will now fit out sch. Oriole and go to the south mackerel fishing grounds.

Capt. John Swim of sch. Etta Mildred one of the salt cod drifters which arrived here this morning, reports that while fishing on the northeast part of Georges a few days ago, he and his crew saw three or four large schools of mackerel pass in close proximity to their craft.

#### Steamer Struck Schooner.

Steamer Stranger, Capt. John Shea, was run into by a steamer on her way out of Boston harbor on her last trip. The steamer struck her on the overhang astern, breaking the rail. Capt. Shea would not give the name of the steamer, as he says the pilot is a good fellow, and he does not want to make trouble for him.

#### Harbor Notes.

Sch. Matchless is at Burnham's shears for a new main mast.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon is here from Boston to fit for seining.

Sloop Alberta Baldwin is on Burnham's railways.

Sch. George H. Lube is on the Rocky Neck railways.

#### Must Gill Fish.

A notice has been posted in the New England fish exchange at T wharf, warning the fishing captains that between June 1 and November 1, all ground fish must be gilled before being brought to the market, and that this rule will be enforced.

#### Nova Scotia Fisherman Drowned.

Levi Cahoon, a Canso, N. S. fisherman, lost his life while fishing in Cherebucto Bay, by the overturning of his dory. He left a widow and four children.

## FRESH FISH AT BOSTON.

### Thirty Fares This Morning but Market Dull.

There are 30 fares of fresh fish at T wharf this morning, hake and cusk predominating in the catches. As is to be expected, on account of the liberal receipts of fresh mackerel at New York and Newport, the skippers found the market dull even though it was Monday morning and the stores well cleaned of fish.

Several of the fares were unsold at 9 o'clock, and it is expected that several will bring all or part of their catches here to split.

Only two of the off shore vessels are in, sch. Robert and Arthur with 53,000 pounds and sch. Fannie Belle Atwood with 32,000 pounds.

Four of the fresh Rips fleet are in, sch. Galatea, Appomattox, Alcina and James and Esther, with catches of from 25,000 to 32,000 pounds of fresh cod.

Of the shore boats, many in have been fishing to the eastward, as the hake and cusk they have indicate and have large trips.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas has 33,000 pounds, sch. Mattakeesett 39,000 pounds, sch. Alice 23,000 pounds, sch. Harvester 28,000 pounds, sch. Angie B. Watson 25,000 pounds, sch. Phillip P. Manta 21,000 pounds and sch. Richard J. Nunan 40,000 pounds.

The steam trawler Spray has a small catch, but 18,000 pounds of fresh fish.

Haddock brought from \$2 to \$2.50 when the bell rang; large cod \$2, market cod \$1.25 to \$1.50, hake 60 cents to \$1 and dull at that, with no sale for cusk.

#### Canadian Fish Movements.

Yarmouth—Cod and lobsters plenty; halibut fair.

Port La Tour—Cod fair.

Sand Point—Cod fair; lobsters scarce.

Liverpool—Cod, alewives, haddock, herring and salmon fair.

Musquodoboit—Lobsters fair.

Isaac's Harbor—Lobsters fair; few cod and herring reported.

Canso—3000 haddock taken in trap Saturday; other fish scarce.

Port Malcolm—Lobsters plenty.

Grand Manan, Gravelly Bottom—Cod very plenty.

Shippigan—Herring very plenty; lobsters plenty.

#### Canadian Fish Reports.

Port La Tour—Cod fair.

Sand Point—Cod fair; lobsters scarce.

Liverpool—Herring plenty; lobsters and salmon fair; American schooner Massachusetts in port.

Lunenburg—Cod and lobsters fair.

Musquodoboit—Lobsters fair.

Salmon River—Trout plenty; lobsters fair.

Isaac's Harbor—Lobsters fair; few cod and herring reported.

Port Malcolm—Herring fair; lobsters scarce.

Arichat—Haddock and herring fair.

Magdalen Islands—Herring very plentiful; lobsters fair.

#### Ice at Newfoundland.

Unyielding before the warming climate of advancing spring, great fields of ice extend out from the shore of nearly every section of Newfoundland, constituting in some places an impenetrable barrier and in others an active menace to ocean navigation.

Within 10 days nearly a dozen ocean liners have put in at St. John's or at nearby ports badly damaged and reporting narrow escapes from more seriously imperiling the lives of thousands of passengers. Coastwise shipping is subjected to an effectual embargo and the returns from the recent elections at St. Barbe are held up by the ice bondage of the steamer Eagle, which is transporting the ballot boxes.

#### Brought Party from Provincetown.

Late Saturday afternoon the fishing schooner Jessie Costa came up to T wharf Boston, from Provincetown with a party of about 50 Portuguese, including about 12 women. The vessel left Provincetown Saturday morning and had a fair wind most of the way across. The trip was in the nature of an excursion and to give the women an opportunity to do some shopping. The Costa will probably fit out for mackereling.

#### Today's Receipts.

Sch. Etta Mildred, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Ralph Russell, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Good Luck, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Veda M. McKown, south seining.

Sch. Electric Flash, south seining.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, Cape Cod, 35,000 lbs. pollock.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Benjamin F. Phillips, had-docking.

Sch. Mattie Winship, Georges.

Sch. Benj. A. Smith, seining.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, Rips.

Sch. Almeida, haddocking.

Sch. Mettacommet, haddocking.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, haddocking.

Sch. Avalon, seining.

Sch. Gladstone, Boston.

Sch. Bessie M. Dugan, Boston.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, seining.

Sch. Kineo, halibuting.

Sch. Morning Star, seining.

Sch. Arcadia, seining.

Sch. Arabia, seining.

Sch. Lucania, seining.

Sch. Cynthia, seining.

Sch. Esperanto, seining.

Sch. Grayling, seining.

Sch. Pinta, seining.

Sch. Judique, seining.

Sch. Slade Gorton, seining.

Sch. Arthur James, seining.

Sch. Hattie A. Heckman, seining.

Sch. Patrician, seining.

Sch. Romance, seining.

Sch. Lena and Maud, seining.

Sch. Mertis H. Perry, seining.

Sch. Priscilla Smith, seining.

Sch. Carrie C., Georges.

Sch. Washakie, Boston.

#### Today's Fish Market.

Salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50 per cwt.; medium do., \$3; snapper do. \$1.75.

Bank halibut 8 1-2 cents per pound for white and 6 1-2 cents per pound for gray.

Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.

Large "halibut" cod, salt, \$3 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.50; snapper do., \$1.50.

Large "Drift" Georges cod, salt, \$3.12 1-2 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.75; snapper do., \$1.75.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.40; Eastern cod, large, \$1.55; medium do., \$1.30; cusk, \$1.50; for large, \$1.10 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 60c; hake, 60c.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$2.75 per cwt., medium, \$2.50, snappers, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.

Round pollock, 50c per cwt.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan of Cape Porpoise is at this port to fit for seining.

Sch. Hazel R. Hines was at Grindstone, Magdalen Islands, last Monday, well fished.

Sch. Massachusetts arrived at Liverpool on Friday and cleared.

Schs. Georgie Campbell and Atalanta passed Mulgrave bound north on Friday.

Sch. Margaret sailed from Canso on Friday.

Capt. Eldredge Nickerson, formerly of sch. Quonnapowitt, took out sch. Viking from Boston Saturday. The latter had been overhauled and repainted and fitted out with new summer sails.

Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, Capt. Jethro Nickerson, has been hauled up at Long wharf, Boston, to be gone over and repainted.

#### Boston Arrivals.

Steamer Spray, 15,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Mary E. Sinnett, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 4000 haddock, 3000 cod, 30,000 hake.

Sch. Galatea, 32,000 cod.

Sch. Valentina, 7000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Victor and Ethan, 5000 haddock, 7000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Genesta, 1500 haddock, 2500 cod, 7000 hake, 2500 cusk.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, 9000 haddock, 8000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Robert and Arthur, 3000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 25,000 hake, 10,000 cusk, 1500 halibut.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 3000 cod, 25,000 hake, 12,000 cusk.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 7000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Yankee, 6000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Klondike, 4000 cod.

Sch. Laura Enos, 2000 cod.

Sch. Tecumseh, 4000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Philip P. Manta, 6000 haddock, 8000 cod, 5000 hake, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Thistle, 2100 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 6000 cod, 15,000 hake, 10,000 cusk.

Sch. Alcina, 30,000 cod.



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Sch. Mattakesett, 4000 cod, 20,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.  
 Sch. Alice, 3500 haddock, 8000 cod, 5000 hake, 7000 cusk.  
 Sch. Harvester, 12,000 haddock, 16,000 cod.  
 Sch. Fanny Belle Atwood, 20,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.  
 Sch. Margaret Dillon, 500 haddock, 1000 cod, 15,000 hake, 12,000 cusk.  
 Sch. Angie B. Watson, 2000 haddock, 6000 cod, 13,000 hake, 4000 cusk.  
 Sch. Emilia Enos, 5000 haddock, 8000 cod.  
 Sch. Torpedo, 900 haddock, 400 cod.  
 Sch. James and Esther, 25,000 cod.  
 Sch. Clara G. Silva, 10,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 2000 pollock.  
 Sch. Appomattox, 20,000 cod.  
 Haddock, \$2.10 to \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2; market cod, \$1.25 to \$1.50; hake, 60 cts. to \$1.

#### Will Repair at Boston.

The three-masted schooner Henry Withington, Capt. Davis, which was nearly wrecked on the north side of Halibut point a few days ago while on her way from Boston to Bay View to load jetty stone, will be towed to Boston, and hauled out on Green's railway, Chelsea, for examination and repairs. The vessel's shoe and keel are gone, the base of her rudder is knocked off and she is seriously damaged.

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#### MORE GOOD MACKEREL FARES IN.

Both Seiners and Netters  
Secure Some Satisfactory  
Hauls.

Fish Covering Large  
Territory and in  
Good Body.

Four more seiners with mackerel fares have arrived at Fulton Market, New York, since last report and one at Newport, R. I. All have mostly medium fish, with some bloaters mixed in. The mediums are pretty large themselves. Recent reports from the skippers of the vessels there yesterday would tend to show that the prospect out south is good for a nice catch and that there is some body to the fish, which are covering quite a large extent of fishing ground.

Several of the vessels which went out yesterday will go to the southward to have a look, taking a chance on a week out there and then going to the Cape shore and figuring on then being in time for the schools expected there. Should they strike good fishing out south, however, many of them will stay there and give up going to the Cape Shore at all this season.

#### Seiners at New York.

The arrivals reported at New York are as follows:

Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Rueben Cameron, 16,000 fresh large and medium mackerel.

Sch. Arthur Binney, Capt. Maurice Whalen, 12,000 fresh large and medium mackerel.

Sch. Nellie Dixon, Capt. James Ellis, 12,000 fresh large and medium mackerel.

Sch. Terra Nova, Capt. John Hickey, 6000 fresh large and medium mackerel.

#### Netters at New York.

Sch. Lillian, 6000 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop Leah C., 4000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, 4000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Julietta, 3000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Crustacean, 450 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. John M. Keen, 600 large fresh mackerel.

#### Seiners at Newport.

Sch. Georgia, Capt. Frank Cahoon, 30,000 fresh medium mackerel.

#### Netters at Newport.

The following netters were at Newport Monday:

Sch. Uncle Sam, 700 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Elsie, 450 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Gracie Smith, 150 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Alice, 150 large fresh mackerel.

#### Netters at New Bedford.

The following netters were at New Bedford Sunday and Monday, up to 3 o'clock of the latter day:

Sloop Braganza, 1 1-2 barrels.

Sch. Lizzie Foster, three barrels.

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Sloop Perseverance, one barrel.  
 Sloop Nancy, three barrels.  
 Sloop Dart, six barrels.  
 Sloop Lincoln, one barrel.  
 Sloop Active, one barrel.  
 Sloop Hornet, one barrel.  
 Sloop Muriel, 2 1-2 barrels.  
 Sloop Jessie, six barrels.  
 Sloop Rattler, two barrels.  
 Sloop Torpedo, two barrels.  
 Sloop A. Emerson, 3 1-2 barrels.  
 Sch. Olive May, 10 barrels.  
 Sloop Sarah Smith, three barrels.  
 Sloop M. T. Rackett, one barrel.

#### Notes from the Fleet.

The fares of schs. Arthur Binney, Nellie Dixon and Terra Nova were taken in the same place that sch. Mary E. Harty got her fare Saturday and Sunday night, 80 miles southeast by east, one-half east, from Scotland lightship. Capt. Cameron of the Harty reports that sch. Olga took fish at the same time he did.

The netting fleet still continues to do well, most of the craft arriving having big fares, thus bearing out the prediction made some time ago that it looked like a netters' spring out south.

One of the finest fares thus far this season was that brought in at Newport, R. I., yesterday afternoon by the new knockabout sch. Georgia, Capt. Frank Cahoon, which landed, for her maiden trip, 30,000 fresh mackerel, about all mediums. The craft has been out from here only 11 days and thus has made a big start.

Since Monday morning, there have been landed at New York and Newport, R. I., about 283,000 fresh mackerel in count, or about 3600 barrels, the value of which, at a conservative estimate, is about \$43,000 and perhaps a little better.

Fresh mackerel at New York yesterday sold at 20 cents each for large and 15 cents for mediums. Today they are bringing 18 cents each for large and 14 cents each for mediums.

Yesterday the weather out around Newport and vicinity was foggy and the seiners Monarch, Fannie E. Prescott and Clintonia were in there for harbor.

#### Will Tow to Cape Cod.

Sch. Oriole, Capt. Charles H. Harty, fitted out yesterday afternoon, and as Capt. Harty wants to lose no time in getting out to where the fish are out south, he engaged the services of the tug Eveleth and went out this morning. The tug will tow the vessel to Cape Cod and perhaps farther, if the wind continues light and ahead.

Capt. William Bissert of sch. Electric Flash has certainly done a hustle. The craft came in here from south yesterday morning, and Capt. Bissert heard of the good news of the seiners in at New York and Newport he and his crew made things smoke, with the result that the craft was refitted complete and sailed again yesterday afternoon.

The down east steamer Elthier is here to fit for south mackerel netting.

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## GOOD CALL FOR HADDOCK.

No Demand for Other Fish  
in Boston Market.

Haddock is about all the ground fish that is worth anything at T wharf, Boston, this morning, being in light receipt. There are 13 vessels in with plenty of hake and cusk, two of them being from off shore, and the rest from shore.

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson has 80,000 pounds, and sch. Mary Edith, 55,000 pounds, and sch. Seaconnet 40,000 pounds, about all hake and cusk, and will bring the bulk of their catches here for the splitters.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, Capt. Frank Cooney, still continues to dig up the haddock from one of his private spots, having 25,000 pounds of these fish out of a fare of 30,000 pounds. Other good fares are schs. Belbina P. Domingoes 22,000 pounds, sch. Warren M. Goodspeed 20,000 pounds, sch. Joseph P. Johnson 21,000 pounds. The rest of the fares are small.

Haddock, at the opening of the market, sold at from \$2.60 to \$2.65; large cod \$2.50, market cod \$1.50, few hake going at 75 cents and pollock at \$1.

On the Yarmouth steamer at Boston yesterday morning there were 352 crates of lobsters and 10 boxes of salmon. Seventy barrels of shad came by steamer from Maine.

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#### TWO MEN BARELY ESCAPED.

Anchor from Sch. Matiana Landed on  
Deck of Sch. Robert and Arthur.

As a result of a peculiar accident at T wharf Sunday, Carl Messner and William Sullivan, two of the crew of the fishing sch. Robert and Arthur had a narrow escape from serious injury.

The schooner came up the harbor Sunday afternoon, and the strong easterly breeze drove her along at a high rate of speed, which was not slackened to any great extent when she swung into the basin between T wharf and Commercial wharf. The stern line had been sent ashore, but this had little effect in checking her progress and she brushed past the other schooners lying near the end of the long pier.

One of these vessels was sch. Matiana. Her starboard anchor was hanging over the bow and the on-rushing schooner was caught by this. The fluke of the iron mud hook stove a hole in the deck house, and Messner and Sullivan were caught by the anchor, but with remarkable agility, the two fishermen jumped into the air and escaped injury. The anchor was torn from its fastenings on the Matiana and lay on the Robert and Arthur's deck. The latter vessel was finally stopped and made fast to the pier. Then a dozen men lifted the anchor and carried it back to the Matiana.

#### North Sydney, C. B., Fishing Notes.

The French steam trawler Ambrose Pare, Hubert, arrived at North Sydney, Thursday from the banks with 9000 fish on board. The Pare is the first of the French trawlers to come there this season. She left Fecamp, France, a month ago and on reaching this side of the Atlantic put into St. Pierre to land a sick man. From St. Pierre she went to the banks where she fished for two days, when her coal supply became so low that she was obliged to come to this port to replenish her bunkers. She returned to the banks Saturday morning.

Good catches of herring have been made at St. Ann's during the past two days and several of the fishing vessels now in port will likely go there for bait. There was a fleet of over twenty fishing vessels at South Bay, Ingonish, yesterday for bait.

The Newfoundland fishing sch. Sentinel, Capt. Rose, from Mizzen bank, arrived in port Friday evening for bait. She has 250 quintals of fish on board.

Schs. Mary Smith, Capt. Courage, from Quero, with 200 quintals and Stella, Capt. Cluett, from the same place, with 200 quintals, arrived in port Thursday evening for bait and supplies.

#### Two Newfoundland Fishermen Lost

The Newfoundland fishing sch. Cora arrived at North Sydney, C. B., Thursday evening, and reported the loss of two of her crew, Theodore Downey and George Osmond, both of Grand Bank, off Scatterie, on Monday. The men left the schooner to take in trawls and shortly after setting out a dense fog came on. After searching for some time, the men were unable to locate their vessel. They then set out for Scatterie, but encountered the ice and they were unable to make any headway, and were forced to remain in their dory until noon next day, when they were picked up by the French fishing schooner Dictator, which brought them to North Sydney, Friday morning. The Cora has on board 250 quintals of fish and the Dictator 150 quintals.

#### Labor Saving Car.

A new receptacle for handling fish at the Fisherman cold storage wharf at Provincetown has recently been built. It consists of a box arrangement capable of holding from 15 to 20 barrels of fish, the top of which comes flush with the wharf flooring. The cars coming up the wharf can by working a lever deposit their loads into the new box arrangement, where a series of new piping throws a large quantity of water on the fish, thoroughly washing them before they are turned into the two barrel car that starts them for the receiving room of the freezer. It promises to be an easy and quick way of handling the fish in warm weather when every minute counts in getting the fish under cover.

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#### THE CALL TO ICHTHYOPHAGY.

Although fish is the very finest form of diet, we only eat twelve million hundred weight of it per annum, and merely spend a meagre £7,000,000 upon it. Wake up, England!—London Weekly Dispatch.